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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUBJECT: Visits of Inspection to SSU Stations.

1. On 14 May, a memorandum on the subject, from the Acting Chief of Operational Services, was transmitted to the Central Planning Staff for comment as to the exact scope of the inspections to be made.

2. Comment by C.P.S. was withheld pending receipt of the analysis promised by the Acting Chief of Operational Services. That analysis was received by C.I.G. on 17 May but was not received by the Central Planning Staff until 5 June 1946.

3. The detailed plans were submitted by the Acting Chief of Operational Services under the titles:

- a. Proposed Itinerary and Background Material for CIG-SSU Inspection Tour of Europe and the Near East.
- b. Recommended Survey Trip of Far East SSU Installations.

4. The plans are considered excellent and their early execution is recommended. However, there are certain comments which study of the plans invites, as follows:

a. Tour of Europe and Near East;

(1) Third sub-paragraph under paragraph 1 proposes that the team would "brief SSU field personnel for the first time with a personal summary of SSU's position, vis-a-vis C.I.G. etc." The fact is obvious that the SSU field personnel are much concerned about their future and it is equally obvious that morale would be helped if some positive assurance with regard to their future might be given them officially. Summaries of N.I.A. Directives No. 3 and No. 4 could be carried by the team and explained to the field personnel. However, it is felt that any "personal summary" of this matter would be dangerous.

(2) With regard to paragraph 2, it is felt that the C.I.G. representative should be, where possible, an officer (Army Colonel or Navy Captain) and that the officer chosen for each area should be one who had war experience, in intelligence work, in the area. Such officers are available in C.I.G.

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(4) With regard to paragraph 4, it is felt that the "Objectives" should include, at each post visited, an "evaluation of intelligence product" such as is noted for the [REDACTED] detachment under paragraph 4, E, 7).

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b. Survey of Far East SSU Installations.

(1) Testimony from four different and independent sources shows that the entire SSU personnel, including the various levels of agents and informants, is known to the "Bureau of Investigation and Statistics." Based upon this information, the advisability of completely liquidating the present China organization has been recommended and should be examined thoroughly on the spot.

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(2) It is recommended that the possibility of establishing SSU Far East headquarters [REDACTED] so as to remove it from China proper and the surveillance of the BIS, be investigated.

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5. Colonel [REDACTED] is of the opinion, based upon his knowledge of the reactions of G-2, USFET, that theatre G-2 would welcome such inspection trips as are contemplated. Colonel [REDACTED] confirms this opinion, based upon his knowledge of G-2, USARPAC and SCAP. The plan includes the obtaining of Theatre and Area Commanders' concurrence prior to departure of the proposed teams.

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